GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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NAXAL OUTFITS IN THE COUNTRY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of naxal outfits operating in the country at present, State-wise alongwith their area of operations; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to check the spreading naxal operations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b) : Several naxal outfits under different names are operating at present, some of them in more than one State.

Law and order being a State subject, action with respect to various aspects / issues related to naxalite activities lies primarily in the domain of the concerned State Governments.

The Central Government maintains a close and continuous watch on the activities of the naxalites, including detailed consultations with the State Government authorities about the various developments and the steps required to check and control naxalite activities.

The Central Government also supplements the efforts and resources of the concerned State Governments by a variety of measures that include deployment of Central paramilitary forces which work under the control of the State Government concerned, sanctioning of India Reserve battalions, assistance for strengthening of the State police and Intelligence agencies, re- imbursement of security-related expenditure, assistance in training of State police forces, sharing of Intelligence, facilitating inter-State coordination and assistance in development works through a range of schemes of various Ministries.